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Dordt Thaliens rehearse in serious comedy

The curtains for the first Thaliens' production this year go up October 12, 13, and 15 at 8 p. m. for Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple." All performances will be staged in the "106 Theater" (as drama Prof. J. Koldenhoven wants it called). Tickets go on sale on October 2 at \$1 for students, and are available at the SUB switchboard.

"The Odd Couple" is a contemporary play with a prevalent problem of our time: divorce. Play director Koldenhoven explained that Neil Simon, the playwright, claims to function this way: put 2 people in a situation and see how they react.

"Divorce is always tragic, but it has a comic and a serious side; Simon looks at it from a comic point of view," said Koldenhoven.

Koldenhoven also judged that "The Odd Couple" is not a Christian play. But when the play is esthetically qualified, when it engages the audience in a comic sort of way, it is doing its job, even though its message is secular.

In the last ten years or so, Simon has written many successful and popular comedies. "Why has the American public just gobbled up Simon?" Prof. Koldenhoven wondered. What makes it so "attractive" in such revolutionary times as the sixties were? "Perhaps escape," he suggested. "If the play does not give insights into life, it's cheap. But Simon is serious." Then, although the play makes a serious statement, Simon goes over the hill immediately with a comic line. So the esthetic aspect is in the humor and not in the "message."

Therefore, it's possible that even after a night of laughter, you come away realizing that divorce is a pretty horrible thing, Prof. Koldenhoven continued.

The audience of the play is limited mainly to the student body for two reasons. First, the material is sensitive and second is the academic setting in which the play is performed. Because the freshmen are studying this literary work in the Drama Unit of their English class, books have been ordered and put on reserve in the library for further study of the play. The play will be discussed in class after it has been performed.

"The Odd Couple" had its premiere in 1965. The Thaliens will put on the original play and not the TV production.

The lead roles are Oscar Madison, played by Alwyn Van Zee, and Felix Ungar played by Greg Sjoerdsma. Oscar is al-

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Play director James Koldenhoven coaches (left to right) Mike Epema, Les Top, Al Van Zee and Rich Dykstra on the fine points of poker.

Kobes sustains examination

After successfully sustaining a thorough examination on Tuesday, September 18, Rev. Wayne Kobes was ordained Sunday night in the Sioux Center First Christian Reformed Church. His Inaugural sermon will be given Sunday evening, September 30, in the same church.

Rev. Kobes was called by First Church as Instructor of Theology at Dordt and Associate Pastor. Dordt required Rev. Kobes to be ordained before filling the space left by Dr. G. Van Groningen.

Rev. W. Kobes graduated from Dordt in 1969, and from Calvin Seminary in 1972. He received his Masters of Theology this year from Calvin.

The Examination consisted of three main parts: The first part was very personal, focusing on his commitment, his purpose for going into the

ministry, and how he saw his work at Dordt as a part of the ministry of the Church. The second was a critique of his sermon, specially delivered for the exam. This was followed by a third part on Reformed Theology in general.

The examination was first carried on by several men, later opened to all the delegates. The examination took place at a Sioux Center Classis meeting held in Inwood, Iowa.

Kobes told The Diamond that Dordt had changed a bit since he left, but that he felt quite at home among colleagues that used to be his teachers. He said that he was really pleased with the response of students in and out of class.

Rev. Kobes teaches two Theology courses: Theology 101 and Theology 201.

Workshop attracts Dordt journalists

About one dozen students will attend a journalism workshop this Friday afternoon and Saturday morning at Mount Marty College in Yankton, South Dakota. Accompanied by Dr. Marlin Vanden Bosch and Mr. Jack Vanden Berg, they will attend a lecture and several workshops designed to give them a chance to hear experts on various phases of journalism. The workshop is also meant to give students insight into journalism as a career.

Students from eleven colleges in Iowa and South Dakota will be present at this first journalism workshop sponsored by the CMA (Colleges of Mid-America). The workshop is expense-free because the CMA is a loose-knit organization which enables them to get Federal financing to sponsor such a workshop.

An added benefit for students is the one hour college credit they will receive by attending this mini-course. Receiving

Nixon loses support at Club Fair

Displays lined up against the walls, kids being persuaded to have their blood typed and the tune "Pirates of Penzance" filtering through the other noises set the scene for a Club Fair in Dordt's old gym last Thursday evening. The fair, at which 19 various clubs and organizations were represented, was held as part of Student Involvement Week.

The fair's purpose was to acquaint students with the extracurricular activities at Dordt. Punchlines like "Would you like to join the Opera Guild?" were thrown out to passersby, and kids would protest, "But I can't sing!"

Catching this reporter's eye upon entering the gym was a display by the Poli-

tical Science Club. A poll taken throughout the evening to find out if students would vote differently now than last fall because of the Watergate case. Results showed Nixon losing 22% of his former supporters, McGovern remaining stable and various other senators picking up a few stray votes.

Using a different approach to get attention were the Thaliens. As their demonstration, they practiced the first act of "The Odd Couple", to be performed October 12, 13 and 15.

Members of the Women's Athletic Club, in an attempt to raise money for their activities, took orders for Dordt T-shirts with the purchaser's year of graduation printed on them.

Topping off the evening was a performance of the "Virginia Reel" square dance by 12 members of the New Physical Educators. Future plans of the group (organized by students majoring in P. E.) including performing another square dance in the end of November for the entire student body.

credit in this way is permissible if the Deans of both Mount Marty College and Dordt College agree that the workshop deserves credit.

When asked his opinion of the workshop, Dr. Vanden Bosch replied, "It fits in well with the new communications program here at Dordt; it gives a different insight and professional opinion also."

Mr. Vanden Berg added, "It's a great idea! I'm very happy that so many kids are turning out for it."

Reactions to the fair were favorable: "Terrific! It gives kids a chance to find out what's really here." "I liked it. You get to see how many clubs there are; I joined some of them."

A Bookstore's Good Name

Before the middle of October, the Dordt College Campus Bookstore will again take on its normal appearance. Dominating the T-shirt and greeting card scene will be brown blocks of empty shelves. All unsold textbooks will be winging their way back from whence they came. Hidden behind the six-foot high blocks will be a rack of paperbacks. A few stacks of notebooks and drug store items will remain spread out along the side wall. Once or twice during the semester a used-book sale will change the scene slightly. At 25¢ a pound, castoff paperbacks from other campus bookstores find their way into a Dordt student's library.

If the Dordt College Bookstore is any indication, the Dordt student is not expected to do any extra-curricular reading in his field. Discoveries and current thought-work by literary critics, philosophers, educators, sociologists, scientists and technicians should not concern the Dordt student. Unlike other college bookstores, the Dordt Bookstore is not responsible for stimulating the student's intellectual growth. The school library will have to suffice.

Lack of student support has been the Bookstore's stand-by excuse for empty shelves. The argument runs a vicious circle. With empty shelves, the bookstore will never know student support. But perhaps there's another reason for the Bookstore's unpopularity. Controlled by the Nebraska Campus Bookstore Company, the Dordt Bookstore must charge high-level prices for new texts and pay the student less than half that for textbooks returned three months later. The idea of a company in Nebraska thriving on the money of Dordt students doesn't do much for the Bookstore's image.

According to Dordt Business Manager Bernie De Witt, the majority of colleges in the CMA run their own bookstores. If Dordt were to run its own bookstore, each student would have to spend \$22 more a year to have the Bookstore break even financially. However, stocked with books of every type and topic, the Dordt Bookstore could become a cultural center not only for Dordt but for the local community. Sioux Center needs a good bookstore as badly as Dordt does.

In this new school term begun on the theme "enhancing Dordt's good name," the plight of the Bookstore should not be ignored. Since the school is run by committees, a faculty-student bookstore committee might not be such a bad idea. With representatives from each academic department, this committee could study viable alternatives to the present situation. The potential of the Bookstore for the community's growth is tremendous. If other campus bookstores are able to survive with full shelves, the Dordt College Bookstore should not be afraid to try a new approach.

Wide Awake

To the Editor:

It's been said that certain profs at Dordt tend to put you to sleep instead of expanding your knowledge; also that some of the courses are about as interesting as watching the second hand on your watch go around. This is my first year at Dordt and my first exposure to Christian education. I appreciate the education I've so far experienced here. The profs are doing their best to show how their courses relate to our daily Christian walk and the relationship of the courses to our Christian understanding. My knowledge and drive to learn have been greatly enhanced by teachers who some say are the most boring. The opportunities we have here at Dordt to further our Christian knowledge are more than we deserve; all we have to do is learn to appreciate them.

Rick Rumsey

Humorous "Biblical" Entertainment

To the Editor:

As one who shared in the activities of this year's retreat, I might say that I enjoyed the activities and opportunities which were made available. But one thing that remains unsettled in my mind is the presentation in which a number of Scripture references were fitted together in a rather unique and appealing manner. Questions arose in my mind (and in the minds of other students) as to how right or wrong the presentation was.

Scripture is to be used to the glory of God, and when we use any part(s) of Scripture for any other purpose we are acting contrary to what the third commandment requires of us.

My intent in writing this is not to attack any person(s), but rather, to bring attention to what I consider to be a prevalent misuse of Scripture, and to remind ourselves of our responsibility towards that Word.

Gerald De Graaf

The Diamond publishes all signed "Letters to the Editor" concisely expressing opinion on Dordt-related issues. Letters longer than 150 words will be edited.

A Re-defining Process

by political columnist Gail Stockmeier

A large portion of news media coverage is devoted to the political scene. Criticism of this coverage has intensified over the past year. Instead of the usual isolated charges of media bias or distortion made by political officials or candidates against a particular paper or news story, we now find blanket charges of long-term irresponsibility and distortion against the entire news profession. Watergate has promoted this distrust of the media and with just cause.

News stories on Watergate have been continually filled with speculation based on hearsay. Reporters seek out leaks from closed committees, closed conferences, closed court hearings. They promote broken confidences to get a sensational scoop. In their zeal for political justice, media members often neglect their own responsibility to be fair and just. The conduct of the media will be a major determinant in the continuation of a free press in this country. If the media ignores its responsibility, it can expect attempts to control or counter-act its influence.

The concept of "freedom of the press" as guaranteed in the Bill of Rights is undergoing redefinition. The development of television and radio news reporting has necessitated a Federal Communication commission to regulate its vast potential and power. Regulations such as "equal time" are a part of the redefinition of "freedom." Newspapers have escaped federal regulation because they are a private enterprise industry. However, they are under the jurisdiction of the states.

A furor is now being raised about a "right-to-access" law which is in effect in Florida and Mississippi. Under this law a political candidate who is criticized on the editorial page of a paper has the right to reply in the same columns. Equal space must be provided free of cost. The media's tremendous influence in the outcome of elections is more and more evident. The "right-to-access" law reflects concern over this situation.

Van Dyk reports Cornell a challenge

"So far so good!" are the words Mr. John Van Dyk uses to describe his studies at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Van Dyk is on a two year leave of absence from Dordt's philosophy department.

Van Dyk is studying toward a Ph.D., zeroing in on the medieval period. His work consists of a lot of translation and language study as well as several reading courses. In a letter to the Dordt Philosophy Department, Mr. Van Dyk writes that he finds his work a real challenge.

Van Dyk was awarded a first semester teaching assistantship and a tuition fellowship. The teaching assistantship involves little work.

The professors that Mr. Van Dyk works with are atheists, so "their main goal is to prove that every argument purported to prove the existence of God is fallacious."

Van Dyk is free to counter-act this in his class since Cornell prides itself in its tradition of academic freedom. Some of the professors are Profs. Kretzman, Genet, Wetherbee and J.J. John.

Van Dyk finds classes there quite different from Dordt. As he writes, "The informality of the class here is something to get used to. Kretzman, for example, lectures in shorts, students smoke in class and take their dogs along. In my discussion last Friday for example, two large German Shepherds were lying by my



On leave of absence, John Van Dyk now has to fight off dogs to get his point across.

lecturn. I felt like the Greek hero perched on a pedestal with two lions at my feet. The occasional snarling of the dogs (at each other, thank goodness) fortified the impression. Clearly teaching at Cornell requires mastery of the art of moving about in a classroom without stepping on the tail of some vicious dog!"

Hoping to graduate in June, 1975, Van Dyk says he will not leave until he has a Ph.D. under his belt. He doesn't yet know whether this is possible or not.

Van Dyk and his wife, Susan, live in one of three university-owned married housing complexes. Susan Van Dyk works part-time as a motorcarrier for the Ithaca Journal, Ithaca's daily newspaper. The Van Dyks are really enjoying their stay, and say that "it's worth the trouble."

Said Van Dyk: "I am becoming increasingly convinced that we as a Christian community are what we are more because of what happened in the Middle Ages than because of the modern era."

Hulst critiques Involvement Week

Student Involvement Week was tried for the first time this year in an effort to get students totally involved in life at Dordt. The Diamond interviewed Dean of Students Hulst and got these reactions:

The Diamond: Do you feel the activities this week have been successful?

Rev. Hulst: "Generally speaking, yes. Monday evening was too long, but Tuesday night was great. Those interested were there. I think the idea of Student Involvement Week is good. This year is the first time and we're still learning."

The Diamond: What have these activities accomplished?

Rev. Hulst: "I think they've impressed upon kids that they're here first of all to study. Also, however, that life at Dordt does include more than studying; that we're trying to create a total living experience at Dordt."

The Diamond: Will Student Involvement Week be held again next year?

Rev. Hulst: "I hope that something like it will be held. Maybe try another approach to get kids involved; to let them know what is at Dordt."

The Diamond: What changes or improvements can you suggest for coming years?

Rev. Hulst: "Involving more upperclassmen in talking to freshmen about how to study. Also, I think it could be shorter and maybe less structured."

The Diamond: Which part of this week do you feel benefitted the most students?

Rev. Hulst: "I would say that the career clusters held Tuesday evening and Thursday night's Club Fair were the most beneficial, taking into consideration of course the fact that we haven't seen Friday and Saturday's Drama performance yet."

In later conversation, Rev. Hulst emphasized that a total living experience is not going to be given to Dordt students. Each individual is going to have to study, to go out and get it.

He added that the goal at Dordt is not students over here, faculty over there, getting from each other. Instead, everyone must be working together to achieve a total living experience at Dordt.

Information Forum

Student Forum met for an hour last week Thursday in their second session of the semester. Afterwards, The Diamond interviewed President of the Forum, John Struik.

The Diamond: What was accomplished, if anything, at tonight's Forum meeting?

Struik: Tonight we went through the various Student Life committees. Of course, since a lot of the committees haven't met yet, there wasn't much concrete business. We did discuss the purpose of the special Chapel Committee, which is a sub-committee of the Spiritual Activities Committee. This Chapel Committee will decide on the future of chapel as to meeting place and speakers. Also, Forum made a request to the Admissions Committee that Registrar Howard Hall and Admissions Counsellor Daryl Vogel be invited to one of the future Forum meetings to discuss the whole recruitment program and possibly present parts of it.

The Diamond: What are Forum's plans concerning open meetings? What are the advantages or disadvantages of open meetings?

Struik: We decided tonight that Forum meetings should be closed with maybe two or three open a semester. It's mainly because some members can't be quite as open when people are hanging over their shoulder. Closed meetings allow them to do their jobs better as well as give the Freshman reps a chance to get acclimated.

The Diamond: The Freshman representatives will be joining Forum at the next meeting. Since these reps are relatively unfamiliar with campus affairs, how can they contribute to Forum business?

Struik: It's true that they're unfamiliar with campus affairs. But they do contribute by the fact that they keep Forum in touch with the Freshman class. They're representatives, so the freshman can go to them with their various ideas, suggestions and complaints.

The Diamond: By whom and by what criteria are non-Forum students appointed to the student-faculty committees?

Struik: Non-Forum students are appointed by the Student Selection Committee, which consists of the class presidents, two faculty members and both Deans. A number of things are taken into consideration: academic standing, capability to function on a committee, general astuteness and personality as well as availability to meet depending on class schedules. Both the students and the faculty members submit names. Faculty knows the student from one perspective, the students know a certain student from another and together they come up with a selection.

The Diamond: What useful function will Forum play this year in "enhancing Dordt's good name?"

Struik: Forum is a place where a variety of student representatives come together with ideas and suggestions and talk about the issues that they have become sensitive to. They come with their own perspectives and views: it's not a homogeneous group. Through discussion, debate and research we try to come with a communal opinion that is obedient to God's Law. From there our recommendations go to the various committees by way of the Forum representatives on those committees.

Dordt ecologists study lakes

Sixteen Biology 200 students went on a field trip to the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory, situated by West Lake Okoboji. Under the direction of Prof. D. Vander Zee they spent time in that general area from Wednesday till Saturday night, October 19-22. The Field Station has been in existence since the early 1900's and is presently sponsored by the State Universities of Iowa.

For the main part, three aquatic eco-systems were examined. West Lake Okoboji received the most attention, while the Kettle Hole and the Silver Lake Fen were also investigated.

Using the pontoon boat and sampling equipment of the Field Station, the group studied the water chemistry of each system as well as some of the larger plants and animals. In addition, West Lake Okoboji was sampled for its plankton, floating surface organisms. Some surveying was conducted on the shoreline vegetation of West Lake Okoboji. The bottom ooze of this lake was also sampled by the group.

The tour proved to be extremely valuable, Prof. Vander Zee commented. "It was one of the best trips we've ever done in outdoor lab experiences." He hoped that it would become an annual event, if possible, "because it is so valuable."

Normally, the ecology class has several small field trips. But studying outside takes a lot of time; so, with a longer field trip, the student gets a better grasp of what is there from an ecological viewpoint, Prof. Vander Zee explained.

The importance of first hand experience with nature was stressed by Prof. Vander Zee, because the student learns to respect it in all aspects, as good Christian stewardship requires.

The Okoboji area was also chosen because it contains three quite unique aquatic eco-systems, which are not found around Sioux Center. Silver Lake Fen and the Kettle Hole hadn't even been seen by the participating students.

In past summers, Prof. Vander Zee has carried on research at the laboratory as part of his graduate work.

Food was taken along from the Commons. Mrs. Vander Zee was responsible for the cooking during the excursion, and was assisted by the students in preparation and clean up. The group slept in cabins and used the mess hall which are all part of the Iowa Lakeside compound. Mr. Benson, resident manager of Lakeside Lab, was very pleased in the way the group worked and cared for the facilities used.

Class of '77 vote in

The Class of '77 representative elections are finished for this year. The results are here in a news exclusive. Bill Groningen received support for the position of president. Dan Dykstra, Paul Moes and Cathy Vis are the other three voices for freshmen in the Forum. More details in your next news release from The Diamond.

"Odd Couple" cont. from p.1

ready divorced while Felix is just going through the process. Though opposite characters, they share Oscar's modern, New York apartment.

Other members of the cast include: Speed (Mike Epema), Murray (Leslie Top), Roy (Dan Dykstra), Vinnie (Rich Dykstra), Gwendolyn Pigeon (Ruth Van Koeving), and Cecily Pigeon (Colleen Rockwell). Rehearsals this year begin at 6 p.m.

"The planning and designing is set up in a much better way this year," Prof. Koldenhoven remarked. Crews start working earlier now and have more time. Every afternoon there is a workshop from 2-4 and everybody can walk in. More attention can be given to the sets, which must be functional as well as reflect the tone and mood of the play.

Already, Bert De Rooy and Bruce Aardsma have designed and built the set for "The Odd Couple." Barb Walvort heads the crew for artistic designing.

A final remark from Prof. Koldenhoven about this comedy: "It's the funniest script I've ever worked with!"

Chapel Committee

begins revival

The newly established Chapel Committee has begun working. Secretary Prof. Hodgson described the Committee's task as "taking a concentrated look at chapel." The committee wants to see "that we have something really worthwhile in chapel."

The Chapel Committee will be able to devote more time to chapel as such than the Spiritual Activities Committee could in previous years. In past years, the latter was responsible for everything connected with chapel.

Serving on the new committee are: Rev. J.B. Hulst as president, Prof. R. Hodgson as secretary, and Rev. B.J. Haan, Prof. J. Vander Stelt, Prof. W. Kobes and Randy Brouwer.

The committee feels that chapel got off to a good start with the convocations. The whole student body and faculty together works better than being divided up, said Prof. Hodgson. The tone and the interest is greater than last year.

Therefore more of these convocations are scheduled in the big Gym. In keeping with the theme for October, "Light in the World," chapel will feature speeches from and about different parts of the earth.

Oct. 2, Rev. William Van Tol, missionary to Nigeria, will lead in meditations and prayer. Oct. 11 will see Mr. John Hamilton from Washington, D.C. He is connected with NA-CPA and is presently director of a film put out by that organization. Oct. 23 has another speaker from Washington, D.C., namely Rev. B. Baker. He has worked a lot with teenagers. Oct. 30 features philosophy Prof. H.G. Stoker of South Africa.

Several faculty members will also speak on the theme during October assemblies.

There will, however, also be college devotions in smaller groups. Meetings of this kind will be narrower in scope. More announcements about this will follow.

Dr. Joel Nederhood:

"Proclaiming Christ in the fullest sense"

The "Back to God Hour", a radio ministry program of the Christian Reformed Church broadcasts in English, Arabic, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Indonesian and Chinese languages.

Dr. Joel Nederhood's message is heard weekly on hundreds of stations in North America, and on some stations the shorter program "Insight" is aired daily.

Dr. Nederhood says the purpose of the "Back to God Hour" is to "... Present the doctrine of Christ's redemption in the fullest sense. His new creation must be proclaimed because of the reality of the gospel."

Nederhood says that his preaching is not necessarily intended for Christian Reformed people, but his sermons "arise out of the reformed context". His audience, he believes, is not composed of a specific type of people, but mainly consists of people who are listening to the radio (mostly "secular" radio stations) when the "Back to God Hour" comes on.

Much of the response received from listeners concerns his sermons about social issues--marriage and family problems and education--rather than the doctrinal ones. He says that his messages will be of a different basis than what is usually preached from the Sunday pulpit. "You might, but usually don't hear very many sermons on abortion or a similar issue," Dr. Nederhood said.

Beside preaching over the "Back to God Hour", Nederhood travels to speak at special meetings (he spoke at Dordt's commencement in 1971). Recently Dr. Nederhood spoke for the Hope Haven Society meeting. Explaining that Hope Haven is a representation of heaven in God's new creation, Nederhood said, "I would not be as bold as I am, in telling the world about the Lord Jesus, the possibilities that are available for His people that live in obedience to Him if it were not for the fact that



Dr. Joel Nederhood talks to Diamond writer Becky Maatman about "the reality of the gospel."

there are Christian institutions of mercy that demonstrate the reality of the gospel."

Dr. Joel Nederhood graduated from Calvin Seminary in 1957. He continued his education at the Free University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. In 1960 Joel Nederhood began working with Rev. Peter Eldersveld, then radio minister. When Eldersveld died (1965), Dr. Nederhood became the radio minister of the Christian Reformed Church.

Students escape to Union County

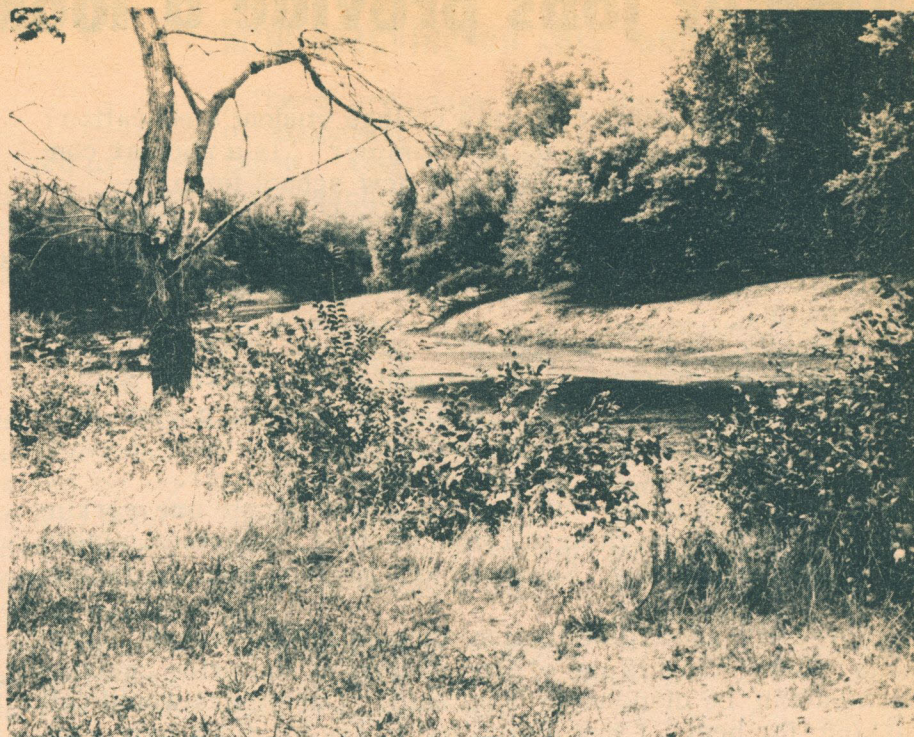
by Becky Maatman

Have you thought about "getting away from everything" during Teachers' Institute vacation or some weekend? How about "roughing it" by camping out?

In the past some Dordt students have camped in parks such as Newton Hills, Oak Grove, and others in South Dakota, and Iowa. One state park that remains "semi-private" and unpublicised is Union County State Park, about 40 miles southwest of Sioux Center.

Last weekend two friends and I brought a camper trailer, sleeping bags, lanterns, food and cooking equipment to Union State Park. Being the only ones in the camping area, we easily found a campsite. At this time of the year parks aren't overcrowded--and no fee was collected. One bad effect of this: there was no running water. If we had no water, we couldn't wash dishes, cook soup or coffee. So, cheating on the "roughing it" bit, we trekked out to a nearby farm, where in midwestern cordiality a farmer and his wife lent a five-gallon container of fresh water.

Although the park is small, a large section invited hikers. If you're the type who collects rocks, seashells, some petrified wood and sharks' teeth have been discovered where a lake existed some time ago. Near the ranger's quarters trees grow in an arboretum--a set off place where different kinds of trees are grown for observation.



Union County's little-known wild life offers respite from academism.

Besides the scenic beauty of a park area, camping can give rest and refreshment from an otherwise hectic week. It's a special adventure to popcorn under the stars and then watch the fire slowly go out.

"Healthy Atmosphere" or "Controlled Enviroment?"

by Dan Gibson

"I believe in Dordt College," was Daryl Vogel's opening statement in a Diamond interview a short time ago. Recently hired as admissions counselor, it is Vogel's job to convince prospective college students that Dordt is the place for them. Plagued by dropping enrollments for the past two years, Dordt looks to Vogel to reverse this downward trend. As college representative and recruiter, Vogel will be contacting students within Christian Reformed communities around the U.S. and Canada.

The large percentage of Christian high school students who plan on continuing their education in a secular college will receive special appeal and attention. He cited a poll conducted among NUCS high schools which revealed that 48% of the students who planned on going to college were opting for the secular college. Vogel, a 1973 Dordt graduate with a B.A. in business administration, felt that the new secretarial sciences program in particular would be a strong point of attraction. He mentioned too the hopes of bolstering the intercollegiate aspect of athletic competition at Dordt. The idea of athletic scholarships was not ruled out by either Vogel or B.J. Haan.

With regards to the problem of Sioux Center's geographical isolation, Vogel was asked if it was possible, in recruiting, to emphasize positive facets of Sioux Center's environs and still

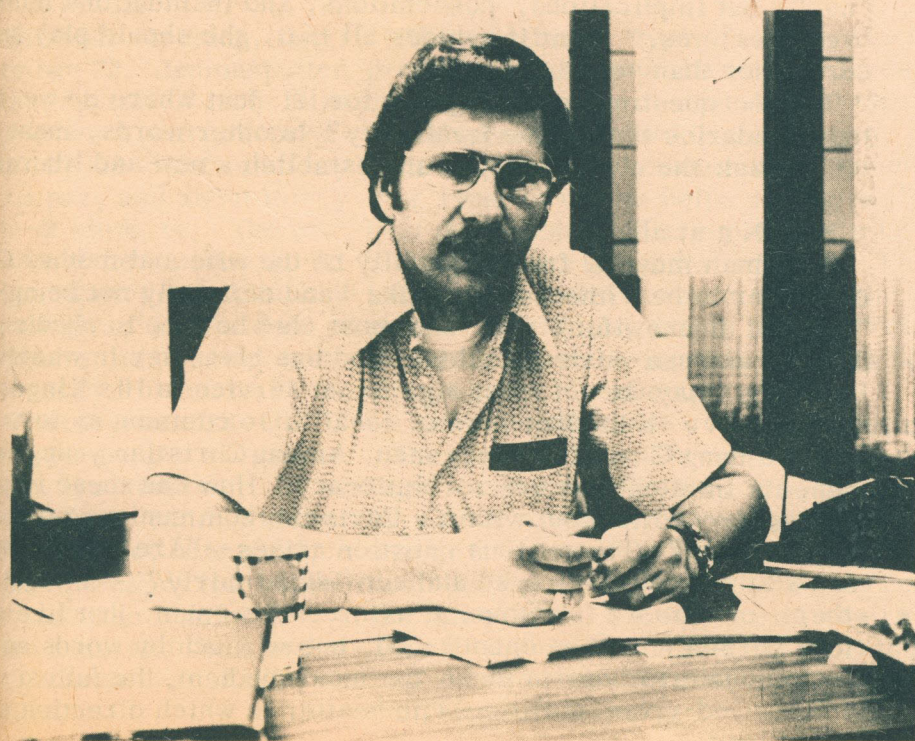
maintain one's integrity. Vogel answered by citing the varied on-campus activities and expanded his base of operation with: "After all, Sioux Falls and Sioux City aren't that far away."

When all was said and done, the interview with Vogel simply rehashed the problems of attracting students to a small college in a small town surrounded by a vast expanse of fruitful corn and soybean fields. Hopefully, the Calvinist perspective of this college, as taught and expounded by a dedicated faculty, will serve to outweigh certain disadvantages, and draw capable students in ever increasing numbers.

For those who knew Len Van Noord chiefly as the candy man (campus vending machine operator), it came as a surprise to hear he had become the Assistant Dean of Students. To discover more about the newly created position and Van Noord's attitude toward his new job, The Diamond interviewed the new assistant Dean. Van Noord's new duties include heading the campus security detachment, dealing with all student discipline problems at the initial stage, and chairing the sports club committee. Regarding his qualifications, Van Noord listed being a Dordt alumnus, a high school teacher for four years, station manager of KDCR, and manager of the SUB. He concluded that, "the fact that I've been hired is evidence of my qualifications."

Discipline in the college context was the center of the interview-discussion. Van Noord feels that Dordt College has a responsibility to provide a healthy Christian atmosphere, not only in respect to every student-connected activity--a feeling shared by J.B. Hulst, Dean of Students (see Hulst's article in the June 1973 edition of Pro Rege). The "healthy Christian atmosphere," designed to keep Dordt students "decent," is supported by rules and their strict enforcement. The rationale being, college students will not only benefit academically from such an atmosphere but their feet will thus be planted firmly on the straight and narrow.... So firmly planted that the path to home will not be trod after midnight curfew.

Van Noord made heavy use of the term "controlled environment." Concern for the students' welfare is evident in such a term. More evident is concern for the good name of Dordt College. Van Noord asked, "What will people think when they see you, a Dordt student, buying beer, wine, or whatever?" Rules should be viewed positively, he stressed, as a means of strengthening the weaker brethren. The fact that some students, capable of responsible exercise of Christian freedom, feel stifled by the "controlled environment" attitude seems to be of secondary importance. The problem reminds one of an old winesack. No matter how much a worn winesack is stitched up, when filled with new wine, it will burst.



Assistant Dean Len Van Noord drinks SUB refreshments.

Summer jobs provide a look at life

by Becky Maatman

How relevant are summer jobs to a college student's education? The question, "What did you do last summer?" is a popular conversation opener at the beginning of a new school term.

Often the income of a summer job is needed to pay college expenses and the job is essential. Three months is too long to "Just sit around and do nothing." Jobs can turn into an escape from boredom.

Unfortunately, a job can become just that: boredom. This category includes grocery or department store clerking, secretarial filing, lifeguarding, picking fruit or detassling corn, driving truck, waitressing, or assembling parts in a factory. Usually these are the jobs that are within reach for a summer.

Other jobs that involve more contact with people are working in a day care center, teaching in a ghetto school, volunteer mission work, or even babysitting. And these jobs pay less than the factory ones.

Employed with a food distribution company in New Jersey, Nancy Matheis found that in this age of food shortages and price controls companies can be dishonest. She said, "Customers would call up asking for beef. I was instructed to say we didn't have any. Really, the butchers sliced meat eight hours a day and kept the lockers full. When the prices went up, the butchers had plenty of meat to sell at higher prices. In this way I found what the business world is like. I can't say that this type of job is 'relevant' in my work after college (she's planning to be a high school P.E.

teacher), but learning to work and cooperate with employees and employers can help in any situation. Being away from the books for awhile lets you grow in ways you don't have time to during the school year."

Kathy Vis picked strawberries on a farm near Lynden, Washington. Other than earning money and getting to know a few people there were few advantages to her job. "It was just something to do. Maybe such a tedious job helped me in my self discipline--but this type of job wouldn't help me in future jobs. Picking strawberries only made me appreciate more my time off," she said.

Elaine Huisman can see that her summer job experiences might help her occupation after she graduates. She has a business administration major and the past three summers worked with K-Products, a (clothing) cap manufacturing company in Orange City Iowa. "I understand what my Management book is talking about now. My job makes my business subjects more interesting and I can better see myself as a business major, and later after college actually being in business. I did get awfully tired of my job, though. It made me ready to get back at school," Elaine said.

Students have found unskilled jobs fairly easy to attain--their past education doesn't help for such a short period of time. Generally, if you want a job that lets you help people, you'll probably have to sacrifice a high salary. Perhaps summer jobs then show what life time occupations can turn out to be--doing what you want, but for less money.

On smashing and those other athletes

by Pat De Young

After eight-thirty the place started filling up. By nine Howard Cosell's nasal banalities dribbled like diluted acid into a growing current of feminine anticipation. As far back as the cash register, scattered chairs were shoved into spectator position. Most of the persons seated were female. Males congregated around the fringes, especially near the door. In some places they stood three deep; just passing through, it seemed, but held against their will by the spectacle.

"MATCH POINT" As it flashed on the screen, the hum died. The seated persons leaned forward, some of the more athletic rocking forward on their toes, chins propped on fists, elbows on knees, tensing with the serve. Fault... Good, volley, volley... deuce. There arose a collective groan.

Advantage Riggs.

Deuce.

"MATCH POINT" Once again the silence and the tensing. Disappointment again. "This could go on all night."

"Dumb deuce again."

Finally "MATCH POINT" again. Serve, good. With a little forehand bloop, he blew it, and it was over. A cheer and some clapping and a few raised fists burst up from those seated, and there were some grins in the standing gallery. As Billie Jean hugged her friends and her husband, the SUB emptied.

Official statistics can be found on any Friday, September 21, sports page. In brief, on the evening of September 20, in the Houston Astrodome, before a crowd of 30,472 (some of whom paid \$100 a seat), Billie Jean Moffit King, a 29 year old female, participated in a best-of-five tennis match with Bobby Riggs, a 55 year old male, and defeated him, 6-4, 6-3-, 6-3-.

The significance of the accomplishment varies according to the sportswriter. Some see it as primarily a publicity and money-grabbing exploitation of the sport and of the public. The match grossed close to two million dollars, the winner receiving \$200,000 and the loser \$100,000. Some cast Ms. King as the heroine who was duty-bound to defend the honor of her sex. Others call the match a Bobby Riggs fun-farce which King and her fans took much too seriously. Still others call the event-in-itself void of meaning. Perhaps they are closest to the truth. In itself the event proved only that a woman at the peak of her athletic career and in superb condition might be a better tennis player than a fifty-five year old man comparatively out of shape. He was not able to beat her just because he was a man and she was a woman. That's all.

Billie Jean King, off-and-on, is considered to be the finest woman tennis player in the world. In five years of women's professional tennis, she has repeatedly won both Wimbledon and U.S. Open titles, and has garnered more than \$350,000 in prize money. Turning pro in 1968 was a radical move, but since then Ms. King has been increasingly vocal on behalf of the feminist movement within the male-oriented tennis system. She was at the core of the WITC (Women's International Tennis Federation), a female tennis pro union which dared to demand answers and equal rights from the USLTA and ILTF--American and International lawn tennis organizations, controllers of Wimbledon,

Forest Hills, Paris and Rome. At first WITC members were ruled ineligible for USLTA and ILTF events. Very recently a compromise has been worked out, and important steps have been taken toward equalization of facilities, pay and publicity.

Billie Jean Moffitt married Larry King in 1962. They have no children; she is not sure whether they would like to. She says about her husband, "I offered to give up everything for him and settle down. I thought that's the way it was supposed to be, but he told me, 'Don't waste your talent.'"

Billie Jean King both on and off the court, has proved that "woman" and "athlete" are mutually exclusive terms. The King-Riggs match proves that a woman with a great deal of talent can defeat a man with not quite so much talent in a traditionally masculine field. Billie Jean King smashed the stereotype, both of women and of "fields." That, I think, is what generates the cheers and clapping and the raised fists.

Seemingly, there are certain activities a woman may not engage in, goals which she may not aspire, fields that she may not enter, without risking her femininity. She is encouraged to develop those talents defined (by whom?) as feminine, but others if she's smart, she'll bury. God has given her all her talents. What, before Him, is she to do?

It is an experimentally demonstrable "fact" that women think more concretely than men; men think more abstractly than women. Women also tend toward conformity, men toward relative non-conformity. A male conformist who thinks very practically will face no resultant identity crisis. Those quirks of personality make him no less a man; that is, no less a person. But what about the woman who is a non-conforming individual? Is she for that any less of a woman? Technically, the answer is "no." But implications, connotations, and insinuations mutter "yes, yes, yes." What if besides all that, she should play soccer rather than sew?

The root question we are digging for is: Just where do we set the boundaries that define femininity? In other words, must we too smash the old stereotype and establish a new and liberated type?

No. Not at all.

A woman must be free to joyfully be the wife and mother God calls her to be without feeling like--and definitely not being--a "trapped housewife." But she must also be free to obediently develop and use whatever talents God has given her in whatever field she may be of most significant service in His Kingdom. The above-Kingdom-service ideal is so common as to be a cliché among Christian young men. Among Christian young women, its implications are revolutionary. How can these implications be worked out within a Christian community--at Dordt for instance? The obvious question arises--"Are Dordt's women's athletics encouraged and subsidized fairly?"--as well as others of a more fundamental nature. A woman, just like any other person, must be encouraged, not so much by words as by a communal attitude, to make the most obedient, the fullest use of her God-given abilities, no matter in which direction that should lead.

Student "job" plugged by profs

Two events held during Student Involvement Week last week were Freshmen Re-orientation and Career Planning on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Monday night Rev. Hulst introduced student life as a society where one works where he lives and vice versa. Stressed was the idea that a 45-50 hour "work" week also has room for relaxation. "The living aspect," according to Rev. Hulst, "can be over-emphasized or ignored." He went on by telling freshmen to become acquainted with all aspects of campus life.

That this "job" students have at Dordt requires much study and self-discipline was Dr. Ribbens' main point. He also suggested to freshmen that they use one and two hour breaks between classes for study. He finished by saying that instructors are always willing to help if asked.

The second half of the evening was devoted to study hints as given by instructors from four departments. Profs. Boot, Cook, and Parker discussed the Language, English and Science departments respectively. They underlined the importance of paying attention, taking notes, keeping up with assignments, and starting to study early.

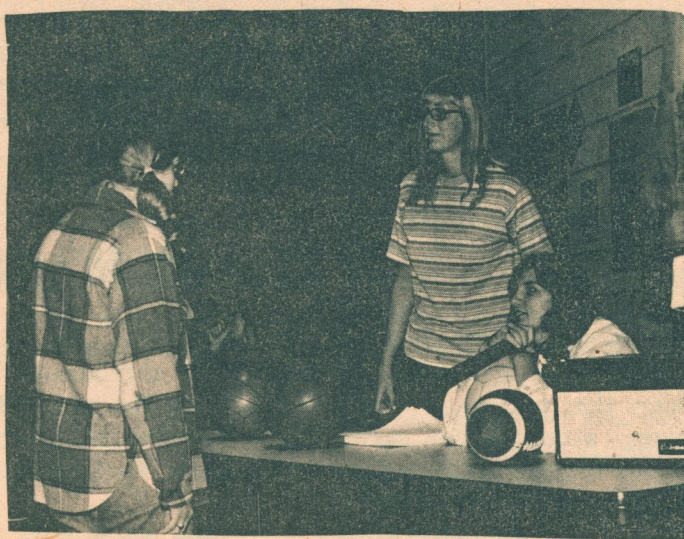
Mr. Koekkoek, however, took a stereotyped approach. He said: "Don't think ... you might learn something," and "You always study the wrong thing, so why study? Bluff it!"

Sectionals for English, History, Language and Science were cancelled because, as one professor jokingly noted, "They all went home to study!"

Upperclassmen were invited to join the freshmen at Tuesday evening's meetings. Even so, considerably fewer people attended than Monday night.

Dr. Ribbens spoke briefly on the student's life of service in a career of their own choice. He explained the purpose of the career clusters as help for 1) those who don't know what they want to do, 2) those who have a basic idea, but aren't sure, and 3) those who are sure of a career, but want to know more of the details. Students were urged to start thinking about a career now and to seek information from all available sources.

Career clusters were held for most major interest areas. The discussion centered around questions raised by students as well as faculty members. Requirements for each field were presented and it was explained how a specific major such as English can lead to a variety of jobs rather than just a teaching career.



Athlete Grace Bos stands up to Marsha Rozendaal for the P.E. Majors Club.

Mini-teaching on this semester

There are many facets of education existing at Dordt. One of these is mini-teaching, set up and arranged by Dr. Veltkamp. This program was set up several years ago to prepare students for practice teaching. Students faced with the threat of practice teaching were inclined to panic. Therefore mini-teaching was introduced to help rid them of their fears, and give them practical teaching experience.

Students in this program may perform a great variety of tasks. They may help children with problems in a certain area on a one-to-one or a small group basis. At other times they may be involved in enriching the experiences of the very quick learners. Bulletin boards, grading papers, etc. also will occupy some of their time. In this program they are exposed to all the practical demands on a teacher's time.

Those who participate in the mini-teaching program are generally first

semester seniors or second semester juniors. They are presently involved in almost all areas in the local elementary schools. On the high school level, students have been placed in P.E., math, music and English. Presently this program is active only in the Sioux Center grade schools and high school. The expense of transportation to and from the area schools has limited this program to Sioux Center.

Dr. Veltkamp said that while Dordt offers a lot of class lectures on theory, there isn't much in the way of practical experience. With the modern emphasis on practical experience, programs such as mini-teaching develop. Veltkamp hinted that in coming years Dordt may see more practical laboratory experience in other areas as well.

NEWS FLASH

A special banquet will be spread for all Dordt students and faculty in honor of Canadian Thanksgiving on Tuesday evening, October 9. Food will be served buffet style in the Commons amid appropriate decorations. All non-boarding students are cordially invited to attend (for a nominal fee). A program in the West Commons will follow the banquet. Head of the committee is Wilma Pastoor, who will gladly receive any pertinent suggestions and assistance.

Signet determined to give realistic portrayal

"Please bear with us, Dordt ... we're as tight for time as everyone else." Dan Mouw, Signet editor, said this jokingly but, behind his laugh, hid the seriousness of truth.

The '73-'74 Signet theme is "Growing into a Christian Lifestyle." Mouw wants to "make sure that what is portrayed shows that Dordt is a Christian College" not just in the theology department, but in all aspects. He feels

that Signet exists to "try to give a realistic portrayal of Dordt life during a given school year, in as artistic a way as possible."

As editor, Mouw has the job of coordinating the committees' work on separate sections. "If anyone has problems, I'm the first one they run to ... sometimes I know the answers, sometimes I don't," he said. The staff must maintain enough

communication to know people are doing things, since the natural tendency is "procrastination."

Although last year's book suffered from that very problem, Mouw is "quite pleased" with its finished appearance. "Basically, it's the best book we've put out," he said, mentioning its larger size, better quality paper, and two-page color spread as strengths. He does see in it a few "technical problems:" some fuzzy pictures, a themeless introduction, and a lack of headlines (which makes it difficult to spot specific sections).

The editor hopes to introduce more variety in the coming book's layout. "We were stuck last year because of the writing on the side," he explained. The handwriting will not be used this year; "it gets sickening from year to year."

Students pay for their Signet at registration time; the price of the Signet is included in tuition. "This makes it easy for us," Mouw said. He added that he's "curious how many would buy it" if they had to pay for it separately.

Faculty members must pay \$5.00 for the Signet this year; usually they receive it free. "We're getting negative reaction on that--they're not selling that well," Mouw said. The Signet is printed by the American Yearbook Company, a division of Josten's. At a company-sponsored workshop last Thursday, staff members learned that if they meet the pre-set deadlines, they will receive two free pages of color.

Vick Eaton, AYC representative, "works out the contract" with the staff.

OCTC generates "happy marriage"

Saturday evening, September 22, demonstrated the results of two days hard work and co-operation by the Old Creamery Company and about thirty Dordt students. The outcome of the two-day workshop was an "unfinished production" in Children's Theatre as a wind-up to Student Involvement Week.

The purpose of the OCTC is to get people excited about the theatre. In an interview, Mr. Koldenhoven called this production a "happy marriage" between the Old Creamery Company and the aims of the Dordt drama department.

This particular type of production was chosen because of the Dordt students' interest in working with children and because this type of drama helps beat the problem of using a secular script and allows one to build his own show. Christian drama would not have to depend on secular manuscripts for their productions.

The story of "The Three Pigs" was done exclusively by Dordt students, four others were done by a combination of OCTC and Dordt students. Director Tom Johnson of the OCTC commended the talent of the Dordt students.

The stories were done in progression from the Mime type of theatre to the Story. The historical development was from the straight Mime to the Mime with narration to the Story Theatre type in which the actors do both the narration and have speaking parts.

Audience participation included vocal comments from a toddler. The success of the acting was proven by the child's easy identification of the characters being portrayed, including a wide-eyed reaction to the "big, bad wolf."

Placement meeting aimed to alert

A "career interest" program, open to all students, will be held Monday, October 8, on Dordt's campus. The meeting will be in room C160, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

The Colleges of Mid-America (CMA)-sponsored program is aimed especially at alerting seniors to how little time they have until graduation, when they will probably want a job. But it also applies to the future of juniors, sophomores and even freshmen.

Dr. Robert L. McCleary, Director of Career and Placement Services for CMA, will come to the meeting "fully prepared to discuss any problems or questions which arise" and to present a speech "to stir up interest" in career consideration, according to Dordt Placement Representative, Henry De Groot.

McCleary will also show a film on "How to be Interviewed and How not to be Interviewed." Henry De Groot will speak on that same subject.

De Groot plans to ask interested students, especially seniors, "to register at the meeting with Dordt's placement service." They will also be given an opportunity to

register with the CMA placement department.

Persons who wish to sign up for Dordt's assistance after October 8 can come to the placement office in C200. Office hours are posted on the door. De Groot hopes to keep the office open every week-day afternoon.

Dr. McCleary has been

"looking for government and industry employers to come to Sioux Falls or Sioux City" to interview students from all CMA colleges. De Groot urges that, beginning around March, "all seniors thinking about work should carefully watch the bulletin boards to see what

interviews are arranged."

He added that, though students often push it off, applying for jobs should be done early. "Some colleges have all seniors register for jobs at registration day," he said. Students at Dordt have begun applying as early as before Christmas."

Wild supper in offi

The Biology Club is organizing a Nature Supper in the Science Building for September 29. Students will go out to roadbanks, along rivers and other untilled areas to collect their basic meal.

Gordon Brand, Biology Club President, named possibilities: cattail bulbs and dandelions with spices for a salad. To make it even more real, the food will be prepared with bun-

sen burners.

Everything will be edible and nothing harmful, Brand affirmed. All the food has been tried and tested with recipes described in *Stalking the Wild Asparagus* by Euell Gibbons.

The Club hopes the event will teach students how to supplement the common(s) supper.

Business prospers in more than numbers

There are several new faces this semester in the Business Department. Along with 60 freshmen, Mr. Vern Timmer and Mrs. Becky Woodward have joined the department.

Mr. Timmer, his wife and family are originally from Michigan. For the past twelve years, however, Mr. Timmer has taught business and economics in California, Montana, and Rhode Island. His educational accomplishments include a double Master's in economics and commerce.

Mrs. Woodward fills the position left vacant by Miss Shirley Kuiper who is on a two year leave for doctorate work at the University of Indiana. From Hull, Iowa, Mrs. Wood-

ward teaches the Business Education courses--typing, shorthand and office machines and practice.

Also new in the department this year is the two-year secretarial science program which ends with an A. A. (Associate of Arts) degree. Commenting on the program, Business Department head, Mr. Henry De Groot remarked, "It looks like it's going well. A number of students have come here to take it." After the two-year program, students can transfer into Business Education. Including those in the secretarial science program, Mr. De Groot estimated two hundred to be in the department. He added, "We like to see numbers, but the job we are doing with the kids is more important."

management, farm administration, teaching, marketing, finance and accounting. As Mr. De Groot put it "We are proud that kids can leave Dordt with something to offer--above all, a Christian perspective."

Cooperation keyword for Cassidy

Dordt students are well acquainted with the services of the Commons, but unaware of what goes on behind the scenes.

For Common's boss, Mike Cassidy, it is a considerable feat to prepare 1600-2000 meals daily and to be aware of the nutritional needs of students. Cooperation has been the keyword to the Common's staff in its daily task. Comments Cassidy, "This kitchen is not a one-man show. We're working together back here as a team of cooks, waiters and dishwashers. Together as a unit we try to serve quality meals in quantity to the students. If someone isn't doing their job, either you don't eat, watch it sit in front of you or eat from your lap with your hands."

Inflation and shortages are difficult obstacles to cope with when you're trying to serve nutritious meals at a low cost, says Cassidy. When people eat without a meal ticket in the Commons the staff is angered. After all, it is the interests of boarding students; when costs go up as a result of spongers the quality of food suffers.

The Commons provides many work-study hours to students. Some students have learned food policy and unit management in the Commons during work-study under the guiding hand of Mike Cassidy.

Students are welcome to view the kitchen in operation (by themselves in the interest of safety and a tight schedule). Comments are always welcomed by the staff.

Dordt graduates with a business major are doing very well. Two have succeeded in passing the CPA (Certified Public Accountant) examinations. Others hold responsible positions across the country in bank

Commons caters to connoisseurs

The staff of the Commons has come up with a brainstorm. If enough students are interested, a dining area could be set aside in the northwest area of the Commons for students who want variety.

On either Friday or Saturday evenings, a special menu would be available at nominal cost to about fifty connoisseurs who would make reservations by the preceding Wednesday. Music, either live or recorded, would be provided, again dependent on student interest.

Those interested in such

Stradivari String Quartet returns

The world-famous Stradivari String Quartet will perform in the Gymnasium-Auditorium on September 28, at 8 p.m.

The formal concert is jointly sponsored by Dordt's Music Department and the Special Events Committee.

The Iowa Arts Council helps to supply funds, "so we can afford to present some good music" Prof. Warmink explained. The purpose of this concert is to encourage people to come and listen to concerts, which feature high caliber musicians. In connection with this, the admission is absolutely free. "Not even a free-will offering will be taken," emphasized Prof. Warmink.

The concert is part of a program of concerts organized by the Dordt Music Department. It can select individual performances, whereas last year it had to buy a package of concerts.

When the Stradivari

String Quartet was here last year, it played a top-notch concert. This year the quartet returns to Dordt for another performance.

Members of the quartet include violinists Allen Ohmes and John Ferrell, cellists Charles Wendt and violist William Preucil. All are faculty members of the U of I School of Music. They practice 4-5-hours each day, striving for precision play.

The four Stradivarius instruments used by the quartet are made available to them by the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. The instruments are known as the "Paganini Strads" because they were a part of the collection of Nicolo Paganini, a 19th century violinist famed for his technical mastery of the instrument.



Astronaut James Erwin

Astronaut to speak on faith

James Erwin, one of the Apollo 15 astronauts who set foot on the moon during a twelve day journey into space, will appear in

the Dordt College gymnasium to present his Christian testimony on Thursday, October 18 at 8 p.m. Erwin will tell how he came to know God as he walked on the moon.

On the same program, Mr. Wm. Ackerman, a representative of the World Home Bible League, will speak on the topic: "God's Word in Today's World." Music will be provided by the Dordt Choir. Also appearing will be Mr. Gerald Bosch of Key 73.

The program is sponsored by the area Key 73 committee in conjunction with the World Home Bible League.

Yes, I'm interested.

Comments: _____

Uncle Fred carries on Saturday School

Noted philosopher called to chapel

German Saturday School, a program started last year by Mr. Boot, will be in operation again this year. The dates set are: October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 17 from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Rooms C160, C158 and C217 will be used for this program.

The basic work of planning the program and preparing lesson plans has already been completed. Mr. Boot is the co-ordinator for the program. Helping him are Sam Mahaffy, Audrey Smid, Jay Kelderman, and Sandy Cooper. They have set up a three level program for the grade school children. Grades 4 and 5 will be engaged in conversational German. Grade 6 will be studying the reading and writing of the German language. The advanced groups, Grades 7 and 8, will be working at perfecting the skills they have learned in the

previous two sections.

There is a variety of teaching methods that are used to bring about the process of learning. One example is that all the children and teachers, including Uncle Fredrick (Mr. Boot), have German names. By using games, visual aids, singing and films of the German way of life, learning becomes a fun experience for instructor as well as student. Everything that is said in class is said in German. Last year the children worked at an open house where they taught their parents German nursery rhymes, poems, etc. that they had learned in the Saturday School. There is the possibility of having an open house again this year.

There are several purposes behind the German Saturday School. First, it gives the college student a chance to practice

their German on a non-credit fun basis. Second, it provides the grade school student with an early start at a foreign language which could help him or her in high school. It is easier for children to pick up the language at an early age. In addition, this program is one of the ways in which Dordt can begin to serve the community.

Prof. H. G. Stoker of Potchefstroom University, South Africa, will lecture on campus October 29, 30 and 31. In various speeches he will deal with aspects of his philosophy.

The 74-year old emeritus professor will share some of his thoughts with the public in three consecutive lectures Monday through Wednesday.

"The dilemma concern-

ing the unity of science in our dispensation" will be Monday night's topic. "Science" is to be understood in a wider sense. Rev. B. J. Haan will chair the meeting.

On Tuesday night, the guest speaker will discuss "the significance of 'man as the image of God' for a philosophic and for particular scientific anthropologies." At this meeting, Prof. N. Van Til will serve as chairman.

Wednesday night, Prof. Stoker will conclude his series of lectures by presenting: "Outlines of a cosmocreative philosophy with a special stress on the dynamic side (or dimension) of the cosmos." Prof. J. VanderStelt will be in charge of the chairmanship.

All these meetings are open for the public. They will be held in C160, beginning at 8 p.m. each evening.

Prof. Stoker will also be featured as chapel speaker on Tuesday, Oct. 30. Since Oct. 31 is coming up, his presentation will relate to the Protestant Reformation.

For interested faculty members and students, an informal get-together is scheduled with Prof. Stoker on Sunday, Oct. 28 in the SUB lounge from 2 p.m. till 3 p.m. Chairman will be Prof. Van Til.

Clubs contribute to campus

The Varsity Club wants to get a chapter of the Federation of Christian Athletes organized on campus. A representative of that body, Dick Schulz, who is basketball coach at the U of I, will speak at Dordt on Oct. 1 in the Gymnasium Auditorium at 8 p.m.

The Pre-Sem club meets Monday, Oct. 8 in the SUB conference room at 7:30 p.m. Prof. Kobes, the club's advisor, will discuss "The Call."

The Future Business Executive Club will host Mr. Jack de Klerk on Wednesday, Oct. 10. As former Institute of Christian Studies student, he is now working for the CLAC in southern Ontario.

The Women's Athletic Club tries to promote women's athletics. To raise money for this, they are selling shirts in Dordt colors: white with a gold-black-gold band around the neck and on the sides. "Dordt College" is printed on front plus the year of your graduation. Price tag is about \$5. Contact Grace Bos if you would like a shirt. A bake-sale is scheduled for Oct. 13.

The Political Science Club is trying to get a speaker on campus from a minority group. The club hopes to contact a member of the American Indian Movement.

Dorm discrimination on the way out

West Hall will become co-ed next year. Rev. Hulst, Dean of Students and College Pastor, said that it was to remove any discrimination between the men and women; he added that he used "discrimination" for lack of a better word.

The change will make room for more men to stay on campus, and more women to go off. Tentatively, West Hall will be for Junior and Senior men and women, while the other dorms will house the freshmen and sophomore students.

Small changes are tentative, such as carpeting West Hall. Cooking and washing facilities must be changed or added. Lounge policies for the different dorms have to be ironed out yet. Whether College Hall will be effected is not known.

Asked for his comment, Rev. Hulst said, "It really isn't co-ed." He said that it has all the advantages of being co-ed, in that it brings men and women together for good Christian fellowship, but guards against the problems many secular campuses have with unbiblical relationships between men and women. Rev. Hulst said that the move is excellent.

Most student reactions to the change are favorable. One off-campus student responded,

"Beautiful. I think I'll move to West Hall next year." Some girls were hesitant about it because of the luxury they were used to in the other two dorms. Rev. Hulst said he found reactions from students to be good.

Physics to be Saturday's keynote

Saturday, October 6, is Physics Day. At that time, Dordt College will concurrently host a Physics Conference for Physics Teachers in C217, and the meeting of the Society of Physics Students zone 9 in C160. A wide range of activities is planned from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Several noteworthy speakers are scheduled: -- Dr. Dion W. J. Shea of the Education Division, AIP, and National Director of SPS;

-- Dr. Arnold Strassenburg, AAPT Executive Officer, recipient of the Milliken Award in 1972;

-- Major Ronald Wachtmann of the Air Force Global Weather Central, Offut Air Force Base, Omaha. He will speak on the role of physics in weather forecasting.

The Physics Teachers Conference will also view a slide-tape presentation called "A Day with Arnold Arons." Dr. Arons re-

ceived the Oersted Medal in 1973.

During the event and carrying on through the Teacher's Institute, is a display of "Art is Research" of the G. M. Research Laboratories. The 30 - framed color photographs (16x20) have been described as "new dimensions of beauty." They consist of structures of various compounds as

viewed through a microscope and reveal "the texture, color, and abstract patterns that rival modern art." The display will be in the hallway of the Classroom Building.

Also on October 6, the Physics Teachers section will feature papers related to Physics teaching. The SPS gathering will hear councillor and chapter reports, as well as

several student papers.

Students and faculty from over 150 colleges in seven states have been invited. The states include: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North and South Dakota. People from as far as Kansas City, Kansas and Fargo, N. D., are reported to be coming. The printed programs of each section offer more details.

Teacher's Institute to tackle problems

The Tri-State Teacher's Institute is coming to Dordt October 3 and 4. Secondary and primary Christian school teachers from South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa will meet to discuss curriculum in Christian education. Miss C. Veldman, who was appointed to the planning board of this year's Tri-State by Rev. Haan, commented, "It think it is

important for Christian school teachers on the primary and secondary levels to come together as a community and tackle the problems of Christian education. The Christian perspective of education will be shared and clarified at the Tri-State."

Teacher's Institute, as an annual event, has repeatedly drawn upon Dordt

College for its facilities and members of its staff. The importance of Tri-State depends on the delegates who come and share with each other the perspectives of Christian education. October 3 and 4 may mean a stronger and deeper Christian concept of education for the teaching staffs of the Tri-State area.

Soccer Club gains momentum

The Dordt College Soccer Club got off to a running start in N.S.S. Conference play. On Saturday, September 15, Dordt played its opener against SWMS from Marshall, Minnesota. Although Marshall had to forfeit the game for being late, the two teams decided to play anyway. Despite the cold rain, the Dordt team overran SWMS with a 6-0 victory. Dordt worked well with the ball and clean passing was the key to the victory.

Northwestern College is still Dordt's toughest rival and the game on Wednesday, September 19, showed it. At the beginning of the game the Dordt team seemed to have the upper hand. Slowly the Raiders gained control and began to pressure the Dordt defence. Goalie Rog Addink made some key saves for Dordt and kept the opposition scoreless. A last-second goal in the first half by Northwestern was disqualified. The second half saw Dordt pressure the Raiders again. Rich Schemper managed to score a goal for Dordt to give them the lead. Northwestern dominated the play again but time ran out for them. Dordt won by a narrow 1-0.

On Tuesday, September 25, the soccer team traveled to Westmar for their third game. The newly-organized Westmar team presented problems for Dordt. The score at the half was a tight 1-0. The second half saw Dordt take control of the game. With five unanswered goals, the team over-powered Westmar. Despite the 6-0 loss, the Westmar players were real gentlemen and invited the Dordt team in for supper.

At a recent meeting in Sioux Falls, the league organized a tournament for Saturday, October 6. All the league teams are playing and a team from Rapid City, Northern College of Business, is participating as well. Although the games are going to be played on one day, the Dordt Club hopes its style of play and large roster will help the team make a good showing.

At the moment, the Dordt Club is undefeated and hopes to continue their streak. With three games under their belt, the Club takes on the powerful USD team in Vermillion on Saturday, September 20.

Jockettes ready to fly

Women's sports is already in full swing with volleyball heading the list of activities. The 25 girls, trying for the 14-man roster, are practicing daily for what should be an exciting season. There will be two teams of power volleyball, which is the Olympic style of playing. Their season officially starts on October 9, while October 16 they will play their one and only home game.

Other activities will include basketball, to start in mid-November, and softball, starting next spring. Basketball season will have its opening in January, including plenty of home games. Nothing is scheduled for softball as of yet.

The women in athletics are also starting a Fellowship in Christian Athletics, planning to meet twice a month. The purpose of the group is to discover how Christ can be reflected in an athlete's actions. The group is not limited to those participating in sports, but open to anyone with an interest in any area of athletics.

Miss Huisman, coordinator of events for the girls, also stressed the desire for fans. The girls have tremendous ability and incentive.



Rhoda's runners burn up the turf.

Dordt harriers make track

Cross-Country is in full swing and Dordt's runners have participated in three meets. Their first encounter was at the University of South Dakota Invitational at Vermillion. Team scores were not kept because it was an open meet with participants from track clubs and other colleges and also independent runners. South Dakota State Univ. dominated the event with SDSU runners in five of the first ten places. Gary Bently finished first with a time of 17:39 over the four mile course. Dordt's Mark Kauk from Saronville, Nebr., finished in

the number 55 position with a time of 19:50. Other participants in the event from Dordt were Larry Baker, a freshman from Midland Park, N.J., Frank Vander Griend from Lynden, Wash., Pete Jager from Edmonton, Alta., Tim Schiebout from Maurice, Ia. and Sam Clark from Edmonton, Alta. Dordt's second meet was the Worthington Invitational. Dordt finished 5th out of 8 teams. Mark Kauk led the Dordt runners with a time of 17:10 over the three mile course and a 25th place finish. Coming in 32nd and 33rd were freshman Larry Baker and Tim Schiebout. Coach Rhoda has praised these three men for doing fine work so far this year. Mark is a standout from last year and a very fine athlete. Baker is a fine addition for Dordt's small team and Tim Schiebout is cited by the coach as being much improved as a runner. Also placing for Dordt were Captain and team leader Frank Vander Griend in the 39th place and Sam Clark placed 40th.

I-M Scoreboard

Seniors	00
Juniors	00
Sophomores	00
Freshmen	00

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Faculty putts a round

Although no one will admit it, there is a fantastic group of swingers on Dordt's campus. Twelve men invaded peaceful Sandy Hollow last Saturday to prove which group of swingers were the best: the Fiery Faculty or the Stalwart Staff. According to reports, these gallant men competed for prizes on the side. Prize #1 was awarded to Prof. Apol whose ruthless blitzkrieg gave him the award for the longest drive. Both Event #2 and #3 were taken by Dr. De Jong. He had the closest shot on the 8-hole pin and ended with the lowest score of 34. Unofficial reports say that he had help from the clergy (a Bishop, to be

exact). Duffer award went to Prof. Vander Stelt for the highest score on the 7th hole. After ten swings the slugger was awarded a new golf ball to replace his old one.

Final results were not released although it is reported that a handful of swimmers were greatly rewarded for their efforts.

scheduled for Thursday, September 27. To be held at Sioux City, the tournament will see teams from School of Mines in Rapid City, S.D., University of South Dakota, South Dakota State University, Augustana, Morningside and Dordt. The Club hopes to make a solid showing and feels that the experience will strengthen the Club.

Briefly speaking . . .

After being asked how I-M was doing so far this year, Director Syne Altena had this to say: "This year there has been a great deal of interest shown in I-M. What has been especially pleasing has been the interest shown by the women this year." Mr. Altena also outlines the future events to take place this fall. The next activity is Volleyball which begins after Tri-State. About thirty teams are expected to sign up and the event should continue to Thanksgiving. Other events, such as Bicycle Racing and Golf, will be held too.

At the moment, the 100-mile Club is being dominated by a freshmen, Ed Doornembal, who has burned up 30 miles in two weeks. In Women's Softball, "The Revival Return" are climbing to the top of the heap. They are presently undefeated. In contrast, Men's Football is in a state of chaos. In the stiff competition, "The Leftovers" have lost two men to injuries. All the teams are in contention for the top with no clear-cut leader. After a hard-fought game, the famous "Doc's Defenders" were subdued by "Sternson's Beach Charges" by a score of 19-18.

The third meet was dual with Dakota State. Dordt lost 19 to 39 (low score wins). Rog Edwards of DS finished first with a four mile time of 21:29. Mark Kauk once again led Dordt with a fourth place 23:14 finish. Other scores counting were Larry Baker in 6th place with a time of 23:26, Tim Schiebout 7th in 24:05, Frank Vander Griend 9th in 24:59, and Pete Jager 10th in 27:01. Sam Clark finished 12th with 29:30. Coach Rhoda says, although the team is small, it has a lot of fire and enthusiasm. The men are working very hard running 40 to 50 miles a week.

Golfers suffer double defeat.

On Friday, September 14, the Dordt College Golf Club played their first match of the fall season. The scene of the action was the Green Valley Golf Course in Sioux City; the rivals were from Morningside College.

Morningside managed to defeat the Dordt Club by a score of 319-349. Although Dave Bishop put in the best effort for Dordt with an 85, the Morningside leader wound up with the score of 75. The weather presented no problems to the two teams, but the unfamiliar course hampered the Dordt team.

A return match was held at Sandy Hollow on the 19th of September. Morningside won the match but the gap between the two teams shortened considerably with the final score of 323 - 327. Again a Morningside player took the lead with a total of 73. Dordt's lowest was Bishop at 77.

The Dordt Golf Club is playing in a tournament